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June 12, 2013

ADEC File Number: 920.45.017

Captain Mike Inman  
VP, Safety, Environment and Management Systems  
Holland America  
300 Elliot Ave. West  
Seattle, WA 98119

Re: **Authorization 2009DB0026-0016 Rev. 3, Zaandam**

Dear Captain Inman:

The Authorization letter issued by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) for the *Zaandam* on March 26, 2013 contained an error in the discharge status. The *Zaandam* was authorized for continuous discharge, but the authorization letter incorrectly listed underway discharge. The attached Authorization to Discharge reflects the correct authorization status as approved by DEC in August 2011. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation authorizes continued operation of the *Zaandam* under the administratively extended Large Commercial Passenger Vessel Wastewater Discharge General Permit No 2009DB0026 (hereinafter 2010 GP), and has issued the enclosed Authorization 2009DB0026-0016 Revision 3.


DEC reviewed your Notice of Intent (NOI) and Vessel Specific Sampling Plan (VSSP) that Holland America Line submitted on August 10th, 2011 for the *Zaandam*. Based upon that review, DEC authorized the *Zaandam* for continuous discharge of treated wastewater into Alaska marine waters. The *Zaandam* must continue to take samples and meet the effluent limits found in Table 1 and Table 6 of the administratively extended 2010 GP. All other permit conditions and deadlines must also be met. Any changes made to the wastewater treatment installation or sampling port must be documented in the most recent approved VSSP.

Any person who disagrees with this decision may request an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 18 AAC 15.195 - 18 AAC 15.340 or an informal review by the Division Director in accordance with 18 AAC 15.185. Informal review requests must be delivered to the Director of Water, 555 Cordova Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, within 15 days of receipt of the permit decision. Adjudicatory hearing requests

must be delivered to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation, 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 303, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, Alaska 99811-1800, within 30 days from the date of the permit decision. If a hearing is not requested within 30 days, the right to appeal is waived.

If you have any technical questions concerning this authorization, please contact me at [robert.edwardson@alaska.gov](mailto:robert.edwardson@alaska.gov) or (907) 465-5312.

Sincerely,

  
Robert Edwardson  
Cruise Ship Program Manager

Enclosure: Authorization 2009DB0026-0016 Rev3



## AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE

Alaska Department of  
Environmental Conservation  
Division of Water  
Cruise Ship Program

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE LARGE COMMERCIAL PASSENGER VESSEL  
WASTEWATER DISCHARGE GENERAL PERMIT NO. 2009DB0026

**FACILITY ASSIGNED AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: 2009DB0026-0016**  
**Revision 3**

**GENERAL PERMIT NUMBER: 2009DB0026**  
See this General Permit for all permit requirements.

The following facility is authorized to discharge in accordance with the terms of the State of Alaska General Permit 2009DB0026 and any specific requirements listed in this authorization.

The authorization effective date is **August 12, 2011**.

The authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, **on the expiration or termination date of General Permit 2009DB0026**.

The permittee must reapply for an authorization when the Department issues a General Permit that replaces 2009DB0026 if the permittee intends to continue operations and discharges from the facility.

SECTION 1 - RESPONSIBLE PARTY INFORMATION	
Issued to:	Holland America Line

SECTION 2 - FACILITY INFORMATION	
ADEC File Number	920.45.017
Facility Name:	Zaandam
Type of Wastewater Authorized for Discharge:	Treated Wastewater
Type of Wastewater Treatment System and Disinfection:	Zenon
Type of Authorization:	Authorized for continuous discharge of wastewater treated through a Zenon wastewater treatment system configuration as approved by the Department in the current Vessel Specific Sampling Plan.

**SECTION 3 – REGULATED DISCHARGE INFORMATION – EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

<b>Effluent Compliance Point:</b>	Wastewater effluent sampling port(s) identified in the Department approved Vessel Specific Sampling Plan.
<b>Special Conditions:</b>	The <i>Zaandam</i> is authorized to discharge treated wastewater into Alaska marine waters.
<b>Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR)</b>	The <i>Zaandam</i> must submit a DMR with effluent limits for the Zenon wastewater treatment system that is found at the back of the GP or available on the Department's website: ( <a href="http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/cruise_ships/gp/10gp.html">http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/cruise_ships/gp/10gp.html</a> ) or on a similar form approved by the Department.

**SECTION 4 – RECEIVING AREA INFORMATION-RECEIVING WATER**

<b>Receiving Area Name:</b>	Marine waters of the state of Alaska as defined in the general permit, 2009DB0026.
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If you have any technical questions regarding this authorization or the requirements of the general permit, please contact the Cruise Program Manager at (907) 465-5312.

**SECTION 5 – CERTIFICATION/SIGNATURE**

Robert H. Edwardson  
Signature  
Robert H. Edwardson  
Printed Name

6/12/13  
Date  
Manager  
Title